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SUBJECT: REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: KUWAIT NHA REQUEST
FOR HOUSING EXPERTS

REF: KUWAIT 5308

1. FOLLOWING UP ON INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS HELD PREVIOUSLY WITH AID/SER/H AND EMBASSY OFFICERS, KUWAIT NHA DG DAKHEEL TELEPHONED BOGOSIAN DECEMBER 19 AND INFORMALLY REQUESTED THREE RPT THREE LONG-TERM AID SPONSORED HOUSING EXPERTS AND ONE RPT ONE STUDY. MORE PRECISELY, HE ASKED FOR A PROPOSAL FROM AID TO WHICH HE COULD RESPOND FORMALLY ON BEHALF OF NHA.

2. DAKHEEL WANTS FOLLOWING: (A) A PROJECT PROGRAM SECTION CHIEF, (B) A PROJECT DEVELOPMENT SECTION CHIEF AND (:) AN ARCHITECT, PREFERABLY GARY SUNDERLAND. HE ANTICIPATES THAT THESE MEN WOULD RESIDE IN KUWAIT FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS. IN ADDITION HE WANTS A STUDY ON BUILDING CONSTRUCTION SYSTEMS, PREFERABLY TO BE DONE BY JACK WARNER. THIS COULD BE DONE IN US AND DAKHEEL SAID HE EXPECTS IT WOULD TAKE THREE MONTHS.

3. DAKHEEL SAID MCVOY KNEW BACKGROUND TO HIS PROPOSALS. HE CONSIDERS TIME TO BE OF ESSENCE AND WOULD LIKE TO MOVE ASAP. IN THAT CONNECTION HE HOPES AID/SER/H CAN SUBMIT PROPOSAL BEFORE END
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OF YEAR. ASSUMING AID PROPOSAL SATISFACTORY DAKHEEL WOULD PRO-

BABLY SUBMIT FORMAL REQUEST FOR HOUSING EXPERTS AND STUDY SOON
AFTER IT RECEIVED HERE.

4. COMMENT: AS INDICATED REFTEL GOK PLEASED WITH AID TEAM'S
WORK HERE AND NHA WILL WANT MAINTAIN RELATIONSHIP WITH AID.
DAKHEEL'S REMARKS SUGGEST TIME AN IMPORTANT FACTOR, BUT WE
ANTICIPATE THAT COSTS WILL ALSO BE CAREFULLY SCRUTINIZED.
HOPE AID CAN RESPOND QUICKLY AND REASONABLY TO DAKHEEL REQUEST
WHICH IS SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF REIMBURSABLE
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO FURTHER POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC POLICY
GOALS IN KUWAIT AND GULF REGION.
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